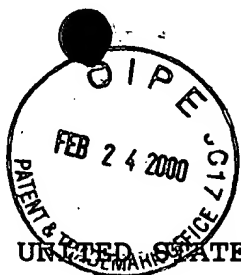


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Application No.: 09/426,896 )  
: Filed: October 26, 1999 )  
: For: HEAD SUBSTRATE HAVING )  
: DATA MEMORY, PRINTING )  
: HEAD, PRINTING APPARATUS )  
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STATUS INQUIRY

Sir:

On October 26, 1999, the above-referenced application was filed in the Patent and Trademark Office. This application was filed without an executed inventors' Declaration.

To date, Applicants have not received a Notice to File Missing Parts - Filing Date Granted (PTO-1533), although such a paper is believed to be appropriate where, as here, an application is filed in blank.

Accordingly, Applicants' attorneys respectfully request that the undersigned be advised of the status of this application, and that all appropriate papers be sent thereto.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our New York office by telephone at (212) 218-2100. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below listed address.

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